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MEMO TO: Parents

RE: "Just Be Safe" Coloring Book

This coloring book is provided to local school children with the hope that California's youngsters will become active participants in the Child Safety movement.

Because children cannot be accompanied at all times, their safety is jeopardized. This coloring book is designed to be a fun way for children to learn some basic safety rules. Please take the time to explain and review the safety tips provided throughout the book with your child. Everyone should do their part in making certain kids are safe.



Never accept a ride from someone you don't know



Never give your name or address to someone you don't know



Never open the door to anyone you don't know



Never tell callers you are home alone



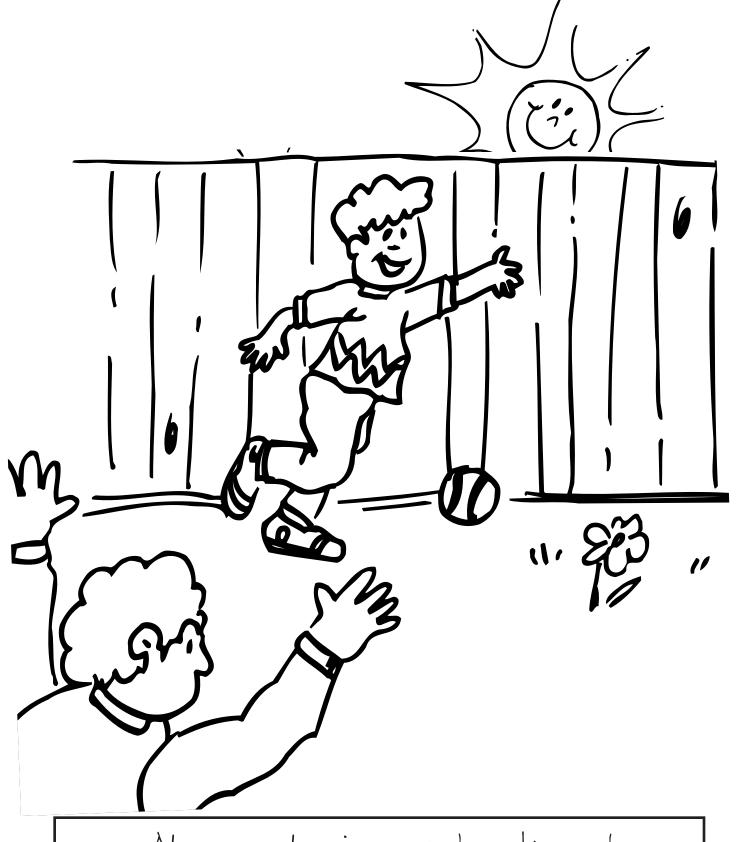
Look both ways before crossing the street



Don't walk alone



If someone you don't know scares you, run away and scream



Always play in your backyard or near adults



Dial 911 in an emergency



The Police Officer is your friend



Don't play with matches



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## PARENT/CHILD THEFT AND BURGLARY PREVENTION CHECKLIST FOR HOMES

Survey your home against this checklist. Every "no" check mark shows a weak point. As you eliminate the "no" checks, you improve your protection. During this survey, discuss the importance of prevention strategies and personal safety with your children.

	DOORS	YES	NO			YES	NO
1.	Are the locks on your most-used outside doors of the cylinder type?			17.	Do you have good, secure locks on the garage doors and windows?		
2.	Are they of either the deadlocking or jimmy-proof type?			18.	Do you lock your car and take the keys out even when it is parked in		
3.	Do you use chain locks or other auxiliary locks on most-used doors?				your garage?		
4.	Do the doors without cylinder locks have a heavy bolt or some similar secure device that can be operated only from the inside?			19.	WHEN YOU GO ON A TRIP Do you stop all deliveries or arrange for neighbors to pick up papers, milk, mail, packages?		
5.	Can all of your doors (basement, porch, french, balcony) be securely locked?				Or do you notify a neighbor? Do you notify your sheriff or police?		
6.	Does your basement door have locks that allow you to isolate that part				They provide extra protection for vacant homes.		
7.	of your house? Are your locks all in good repair?			22.	Do you leave some shades up so the house doesn't look deserted?		
8.	Do you know everyone who has a key to your house? (Or are there some still in			23.	Do you arrange to keep your lawn and garden in shape?		
	possession of the previous owners and their family and friends?)				SAFE PRACTICES		
	WINDOWS			24.	Do you plan so that you do not need to "hide" a key under the door mat?		
9.	Are your window locks properly and securely mounted?			25.	Do you keep as much cash as possible and other valuables in a bank?		
10.	Do you keep your windows locked when they are shut?			26.	Do you keep a list of all valuable property?		
11.	Do you use locks that allow you to lock a window that is partly open?			27.	Do you have a list of the serial numbers of your watches, cameras, typewriters,		
12.	In high hazard locations, do you use bars or ornamental grille?			28.	and similar items? Do you have a description of other		Ш
13.	Are you as careful of basement and second floor windows as you are				valuable property that does not have a number?		
14.	of those on the first floor? Have you made it more difficult for			29.	Do you avoid unnecessary display or publicity of your valuables?		
	a burglar by locking up your ladder, avoiding trellises that can be used as a ladder, or similar aids to climbing?			30.	Have you told your family what to do if they discover a burglar breaking in or already in the house?		
	GARAGE			31.	Have you told your family to leave the house undisturbed and call the sheriff or	n	
	Do you lock your garage abor at night?				police if they discover a burglary has been committed?		
10.	Do you lock your garage when you are away from home?			32.	Do you belong to your Neighborhood Watch?		

## "Just Be Safe" Rules

- 1. Never accept a ride from someone you don't know
- 2. Never give your name or address to someone you don't know
- 3. Never open the door to anyone you don't know
- 4. Never tell callers you are home alone
- 5. Look both ways before crossing the street
- Don't walk alone
- If someone you don't know scares you, run away and scream
- 8. Always play in your backyard or near adults
- 9. Dial 911 in an emergency
- 10. The Police Officer is your friend
- 11. Don't play with matches